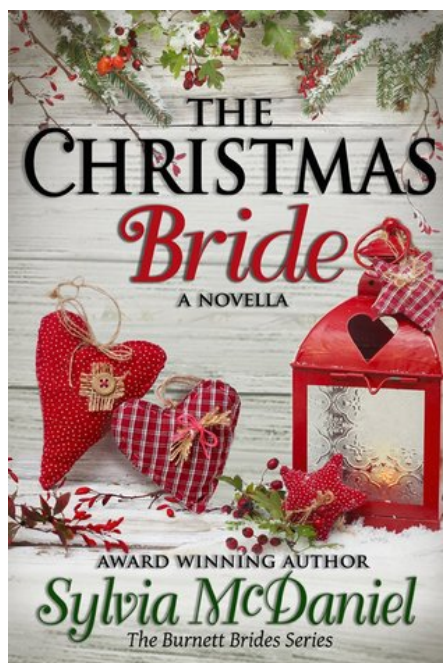




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In the historical western town of Fort Worth, Texas, matchmaking mother, Eugenia Burnett has achieved her goals. Her three sons are happily married, but she hasn't given up her matchmaking ways. Now she's introducing lonely widows and widowers. Until one widower, rancher Wyatt Jones, lets her know he's only interested in one woman, her. Come celebrate a western Christmas with the Burnett family and watch Mama Burnett meet her match.

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Yvonne Cruz says

I usually do not read or listen to historical romance stories, but when given the opportunity , I thought I would give this story a try.

I really enjoyed it. Though it's part of a series, it's a stand alone . What I enjoyed most was the fact that the main characters are in their forties.

Eugenia is a mother of three married boys, with families of their own. Her deceased husband was a tad dictatorial and now that she is by herself , she is enjoying her freedom to do and say what she pleases. She is also known as the town's matchmaker.

Wyatt is a widower whose wife was a friend of Eugenia's. Though they never acknowledge it, there was a spark between these two. Wyatt is determined to court and marry Eugenia , while she is adamant to staying single. As far as she is concern , she doesn't need or want a man.

It was fun to see these two interact. Things didn't go smoothly for Wyatt. Will they get a chance of a second chance at marriage and love, or will the stubborn Eugenia get her way?

A well developed plot with complex characters that will entertain you.

My only but was that in the audiobook, though Eugenia is in her 40s, her voice sounded like the voice of a woman in her 70s.

I was gifted an audiobook of this story. The opinions expressed are solely my own.

Crystal Marie says

I usually LOVE the western type books, I'm strange I know. With this book, I did enjoy it but not as much as I had thought that I would. The story was shorter than I had thought, but I still thought that it was a really good story to read, especially if you enjoy the romance stories.

We meet Eugenia, who is a stubborn woman who just made me laugh with almost everything that she said. I swear she had an amazing sense of humor that just didn't seem to stop, and the best part of that was she didn't really "try" to be funny! Now Wyatt's character, I honestly think he was my favorite out of everyone mentioned in the book.

He had his moments where he caused me to have the "WTF" look on my face, but overall he was just an amazingly sweet man. He knew what he wanted, and he went after it, even when he kept getting shut down at every turn!

Overall, I did enjoy this book very much. And even though it is part of a series, you don't have to read the other books in order to follow along with this book.

Received an ARC for honest review

Ruth Hill says

First of all, let me tell you that this was a wonderful book, and it contained all necessary elements to make it a truly fun and sweet historical romance. I can identify with Eugenia--her first husband was like mine, but I had to divorce mine. It is an automatic hit when a romance stars two widowers in Fort Worth, Texas 1800's. Add in a snowstorm (which doesn't happen that often even today), and you never know what might happen (although the title might just give it away).

I appreciated the fact that much of this happened in a church. What could be more wondrous at

Christmastime than a children's pageant? The profanity was fairly mild, and it was good to see people praying and talking about the Lord.

While I am not permitting this one issue to affect the rating, I was very disappointed that the two main characters were intimate before marriage. The intimacy scene was somewhat descriptive, but thankfully it was not overly so. I understand why these two didn't wait, but I think there would have been fewer complications and a much nicer story without those hot and heavy scenes. But that is just a personal preference.

The interactions between our lovebirds were very natural and fun to read. I would love to see a sequel to this book. I can assure you that I would devour it! This is the perfect holiday tale.

I was sent a copy of this book in exchange for my honest review. I was not financially compensated, and all opinions are 100 percent mine

Val Pearson says

Eugenia is a strong confident woman who knows what she wants, and what she doesn't want. The matriarch of the Burnett sons, Eugenia has made it her business to find partners for her three sons. Now that the tables have turned and her daughters-in-law are matchmaking Eugenia with Wyatt, Eugenia wants nothing to do with love. Especially when it includes Wyatt. Eugenia's character was so comical. Getting every single available woman to ply Wyatt with more casseroles than he knows what to do with, is enough to drive him crazy. There is only one way to take care of Eugenia and that is to take matters into his own hands. When it comes to Wyatt and Eugenia, I find myself grinning at the repartee. What a sweet and touching love story.

The Christmas Bride is a delightful and dazzling read written by a very talented author. I have never read any of Ms. McDaniel's books. However, after reading the story description, I found myself anxious to snuggle up to my first Sylvia McDaniel romance. The romance between Eugenia and Wyatt, did not disappoint and even had some unexpected turns that turned out to be quite steamy. After reading their touching love story, I can't wait to read the rest of the books in the series. If you are looking for an intriguing story line laced with humor and enchanting characters, look no further than The Christmas Bride by Sylvia McDaniel.

Sherie Gibbens says

The Christmas Bride

Wonderful!!! The 1st widow bride book that I've read. Reminds me of my hubby & myself. My husband was my childhood sweetheart but it took us 45 years to get together.

Renea Westlyn says

Loved it!

I'm so pleased by the outcome but don't want to spoil it for anyone. It's a great story and they should read it

themselves. Thank you for writing and sharing this story with me. I hope to read more about this family.

Megan says

It wasn't bad. A very quick read...wish it had more to do with Christmas than it did.

Brenda L Brooks says

The Christmas Bride

This book was a lovely follow up to the books where Eugenia played matchmaker for her three sons. They turned the tables on her and that makes for a wonderful story. Truly enjoyed all four stories!

Wanda says

Eugenia Burnett was known well for her matchmaking skills. She had been determined to find wives for her three sons, Travis, Tanner and Tucker and had greatly succeeded in doing so. She had also found husbands for several of her friends but had never considered a husband for herself. After being married to Thomas Burnett for twenty five years, Eugenia was thoroughly against marriage. Thomas was controlling, always making the decisions alone, and Eugenia refused to be ruled by a man again. Until Wyatt Jones made his intentions known. Although her head was telling her to stay as far away from Wyatt as possible, her heart was telling her she was being a fool. When her three daughters-in-law turned the tables on her and started playing matchmakers, Eugenia knew she was in trouble. Could she fight the feelings Wyatt awakened in her in order to stay in control of her life? Did she even want to?

Wyatt Jones was starting to feel lonely and restless. His wife, Beatrice, had been gone for a year and he was tired of being alone. He wanted someone to talk about his day with, someone to keep him warm at night and share his life with. He knew the only woman he wanted was Eugenia Burnett. Wyatt and Beatrice had been good friends with Eugenia and Thomas and there had been sparks between him and Eugenia that had been suppressed because they were married. When Eugenia starts trying to set Wyatt up with the eligible women in town Wyatt makes it clear that she is the only woman he wants. Wyatt sets out to tear down the walls Eugenia has erected around her heart. Can he make her see that he wants a partner in marriage and not someone to give in to his every whim? Or will she leave him with a broken heart?

The Christmas Bride was a treat to read. It was so great to see the tables get turned on Eugenia for a change. With all of her scheming in the previous books I loved seeing Rose, Sarah and Beth do some scheming of their own. I also loved Eugenia's take charge, no nonsense attitude. She was a little spitfire and I love that in a female heroine. She didn't take any guff from anyone which always makes for a more exciting read for me. Now Wyatt was a real sweetheart, a real gentleman, and I just loved him. His poor heart was so bruised and battered by Eugenia by the end I felt sorry for him and wanted to throttle her. The night of the snow storm was the best part to me because it started Eugenia on the path to some hard choices. I also loved that Miss McDaniel worked the whole idea about the casserole dishes into the storyline. It made for some great laughs. Humor blended into a storyline just enhances the story for me. I loved revisiting the characters from the previous stories, also. I don't always get to do that so it's a real treat when I do. All around this was a very entertaining book and a fine ending to a series I quickly grew to love. I will truly miss the Burnetts (unless

Miss Sylvia digs deep and continues on with the series :)). If you liked the previous books you will love this one. If you haven't read any books in this series I still recommend it if you like being thoroughly entertained.

Disclaimer: I received a complimentary copy of this book from Sylvia McDaniel for my honest review. These opinions are mine and mine alone. I received no monetary compensation for this review.

Nina ~ Meleth Bookaddicted ~ says

I was gifted an audio book copy in exchange for my honest review.

Honestly, I jumped into the book without knowing much of the synopsis, nor being aware of that this was the fourth book in a series. So it was quite surprising to find out that it was now the turn of the woman who played matchmaker in the previous books to meet her match, if she wanted or not.

Eugenia is one suborn woman. She has been married before and while her marriage was good, it was not perfect, and she intends to never marry again. This is why she needs to put an end to Wyatt's advances towards her – and fast! Almost every woman in the right age is sent his way with her best casserole to woo him and win him over, so that he finally forgets about Eugenia.

Only Wyatt can be quite determined himself, and Eugenia has to realize that she underestimated him when he bluntly tells her that he wants no other woman besides her. He wants her as she is: The stubborn and (often willing) funny woman that she is. Although being turned down countless of times, he never gives up, because he knows what he wants.

Although not overly descriptive, there was one in my opinion beautiful love scene between those two – it was quite a surprise to me that Eugenia let it happen at that exact point. I also loved for once to read a romance about a woman in her forties / fifties finding her true love.

The narration was beautiful, although it took me a while to get used to Eugenia's voice (all the others I liked instantly), because it seemed to make her older than she was, but once I did it suddenly matched her persona quite well.

This surely is one sweet and funny Christmas novella that really warmed my heart.

kelly kulas says

Great book to start off the holidays season.

This was such a great love story. Hi love that the two main characters are older. This is a story you can't stop reading until the end.

Diane Sullivan says

Another great story

I enjoy all of Sylvia McDaniel's books I have read to date. I really loved having a story about an older widow

finding love again. Gives those of us in that situation a new way of thinking about things. Keep up the good work. I look forward to more great stories.

Phyllis H. Pajka says

Kind of predictable but still a good read. I think everyone will enjoy it.

Sharon says

Hero: Wyatt-- Heroine: Eugenia

Reading Enjoyment:4.2* - I enjoyed reading this story that progressed steadily, has unforgettable and fun characters with a well written plot. This was least repetitive story of the series. This story has a very happy and satisfying HEA !

Lisa Montgomery says

I particularly liked the idea that this was an older couple find love.

I also liked how her sons and daughters-in-law manipulate Eugenia in the same manner she had manipulated them in the first 3 books of this series.
